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	NE	5,179,744	01/1993	Foster et al.	5	600	
	NF	5,193,633	03/1993	Ezenwa	180	65.1	
	NG	5,205,004	04/1993	Hayes et al.	5	611	
	NH	5,216,769	06/1993	Eakin	5	620	
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	AB	595,734	12/1897	Raad et al. Rad et al.	5	710	
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	AD	1,017,153	02/1912	Kampe	5	663	
	AE	1,043,370	11/1912	Stubbs	248	345.1	
	AF	1,261,040	04/1918	Lanes	297	68	
	AG	1,398,203	11/1921	Schmidt	5	618	
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	AI	2,245,909	06/1941	Enfajian	5	710	
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R.S.	AS	"Impression" Brochure, Kinetic Concepts, Inc., Aug. 1996.	
R.S.	AT	Stryker Medical GO BED™ brochure, 2 pgs., 2001	

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